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4. (C) WANG WAS GUANGZHOU'S ONLY "NAME" DISSIDENT AND THE CENTRAL FIGURE OF THE VERY SMALL GROUP OF STUDENTS AND INTELLECTUALS HERE OPENLY CONCERNED WITH HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY. HIS DEPARTURE LEAVES LITTLE VOCAL CONSTITUENCY FOR THESE ISSUES IN SOUTH CHINA. EVEN WANG'S ESCAPE HIGHLIGHTED GUANGDONG'S OPEN MEDIA, HOWEVER. A HONG KONG NEWS CREW WAS ABLE TO FILM WANG'S WIFE, SU JIANG, IN GUANGZHOU DESCRIBING HER CONCERN FOR WANG. THESE REMARKS AND OTHER NEWS OF WANG'S ESCAPE WERE UNCENSORED ON LOCAL BROADCASTS OF THE HONG KONG NEWS.

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